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SUBJ: GVN AMNESTIES PRISONERS AT TET

1. PRESIDENT THIEU SIGNED A DECREE JAN 21 GRANTING AMNESTY TO PRISONERS ON THE OCCASION OF TET. A TOTAL OF 210 PRISONERS WERE RELEASED, AND 83 MORE HAD THEIR SENTENCES LESSENED. THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR INFORMS US THAT NONE OF THOSE RELEASED WERE FROM THE GROUP OF 3,506 "COMMUNIST OFFENDERS" BEING HELD FOR EVENTUAL EXCHANGE WITH THE COMMUNISTS, ALTHOUGH 113 HAD BEEN HELD ON SECURITY CHARGES RELATED TO THE COMMUNIST THREAT. THERE WERE NO PROMINENT PRISONERS AMONG THOSE RELEASED.

2. THIS IS THE FIRST AMNESTY OF 1974. WE EXPECT THERE WILL BE SIX MORE ON MAJOR HOLIDAYS. THE NEXT OCCASION WILL BE FARMERS DAY MARCH 26.
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